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SUBJECT: JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE--PROCEDURAL GUIDELINES

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1. WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO PROVIDE THE SPANISH CO-CHAIRMAN, PRIOR TO THE MARCH 14 INAUGURAL MEETING OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE, WITH A U.S. DRAFT OF PROCEDURAL GUIDELINES FOR THE COMMITTEE.

2. THE DRAFT WHICH FOLLOWS IS A SIMPLIFIED VERSION OF THE GUIDELINES DEVELOPED FOR THE OTHER TWO NOMILITARY COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL, THOSE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS. WE HAVE INTENTIONALLY OMITTED ANY PROVISION FOR A COMMITTEE SECRETARIAT AND HAVE OMITTED REFERENCE TO ART. 3 OF SUPPLEMENTARY AGREEMENT 1 OF THE TREATY, ACCORDING TO WHICH UNRESOLVED ISSUES MAY BE REFERRED TO THE US-SPANISH COUNCIL. OUR INTENT IN OMITTING THESE THINGS IS TO UNDERLINE THE COMMITTEE'S CONSULTATION FUNCTION MORE THAN DECISION-MAKING AND REFERENCE OF UNRESOLVED PROBLEMS TO THE COUNCIL.

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3. BEGIN TEXT: DRAFT PROCEDURAL GUIDELINES - JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE

.
THE JOINT COMMITTEE IS ESTABLISHED BY AND FUNCTIONS UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE TREATY OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION OF JANUARY 24, 1976.

SEAT: THE JOINT COMMITTEE WILL BE CO-LOCATED WITH THE OFFICE OF

THE US-SPANISH COUNCIL IN MADRID, BUT MAY MEET ELSEWHERE FROM TIME TO TIME.

CHAIRMANSHIP: THE JOINT COMMITTEE SHALL HAVE TWO CO-CHAIRMEN, THE DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC AFFAIRS OF THE SPANISH MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, AND THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE FOR ECONOMIC AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS. THEY MAY BE REPRESENTED BY THEIR DEPUTIES.

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP: THE CO-CHAIRMEN MAY EACH DESIGNATE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE AS APPROPRIATE TO THE FULFILLMENT OF THE MANDATE CONTAINED IN THE TREATY.

THE SPANISH AND U.S. PERMANENT SECRETARIES OF THE US-SPANISH COUNCIL SHALL PARTICIPATE AS EX OFFICIO MEMBERS.

FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS: THE JOINT COMMITTEE SHALL MEET AT THE LEVEL OF CO-CHAIRMEN OR THEIR DEPUTIES, NORMALLY TWICE EACH YEAR. IT MAY ALSO MEET AT OTHER TIMES BY AGREEMENT OF THE CO-CHAIRMEN. IN THE CASE OF THE UNITED STATES, APPROPRIATE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EMBASSY IN MADRID WILL HAVE AUTHORITY TO ACT FOR THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT BETWEEN FORMAL SESSIONS OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE.

REPORTS AND RECORDS: THE JOINT COMMITTEE SHALL REPORT ON ITS ACTIVITIES TO THE US-SPANISH COUNCIL PRIOR TO THE SEMIANNUAL MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL. ADDITIONAL REPORTS SHALL BE PREPARED AT THE REQUEST OF THE COUNCIL OR AS DEEMED APPROPRIATE BY THE CO-CHAIRMEN.

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REPORTS TO THE COUNCIL SHALL BE SUBMITTED THROUGH THE PERMANENT SECRETARIAT OF THE COUNCIL.

PREPARATIONS FOR MEETINGS OF THE COMMITTEE AND THE PREPARATION OF COMMITTEE RECORDS AND REPORTS TO THE COUNCIL SHALL BE HANDLED THROUGH NORMAL DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS. END TEXT. STABLER

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